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10:45 AM IMMEDIATE 1/9/76 CJM

TO DIRECTOR (105-12281) NR 006-52

FROM LEGAT BUENOS AIRES (105-2)

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FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS ARGENTINA, IS ARGENTINA.

~~JANUARY 8, 1976~~ FOLLOWING WAS RECEIVED FROM OUR REPRESENTATIVE IN BUENOS AIRES

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LEADER OF THE MONTONERO GUERRILLA ORGANIZATION, WAS PICKED

UP ON A BEACH IN MARTINEZ, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE, BY INDIVIDUALS

WHO IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES AS OFFICERS OF THE FEDERAL POLICE OF

ARGENTINA (FPA). SUBSEQUENT INQUIRIES BY QUIETO'S RELATIVES,

WHICH WERE PUBLISHED IN THE BUENOS AIRES NEWS MEDIA, INDICATED THAT

THE FPA, THE BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE, THE ARGENTINE

ARMY AND OTHER ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT ENTITIES STEADFASTLY DENIED THAT

QUIETO WAS IN CUSTODY.

ON JANUARY 8, 1976, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ABROAD, WHO IS A

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MADE AVAILABLE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION; ~~64~~

QUIETO WAS EXTRA-LEGALLY DETAINED BY OFFICERS OF THE FPA WHO

HAD BEEN ASSIGNED TO THE AAIS FOR SPECIAL ANTI-TERRORIST DUTIES.

QUIETO WAS DELIVERED TO AN AAIS SAFEHOUSE IN BUENOS AIRES ~~(S)~~

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